

REMARKS

Claims 3, 7 and 10 are pending after entry of this paper. Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8, 9, and 11-28 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue withdrawn and cancelled claims in a divisional or continuing application.

Claim 3 has been amended to be in proper Markush claim format. Claims 7 and 10 have been amended to depend on claim 3. Furthermore, claim 10 has been amended to include the sequence identifier language. No new matter has been presented by these amendments.

Applicants understand that with respect to the listing of claims in the response to the Office Action as filed May 21, 2007, the listing of claims was not entered with the proper status identifiers. Therefore, the instant claims are presented herein in place of the aforementioned filed listing of claims. Regarding the Examiner's objection to the status identifier "Previously amended," the applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the Official Gazette Notice published on July 5, 2005. The Notice pertains to acceptable deviations from the status identifiers prescribed in 37 CFR § 1.121, indicating "Previously amended" as an acceptable replacement for "Previously presented."

Furthermore, as the correction required is only directed to the Amendment to the Claims, only the corrected section, *i.e.*, the listing of claims, has been presented herein.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and entry of the listing of claims presented herein, and furthermore, withdrawal

of the rejection of claims and allowance of this application. Favorable action by the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

AUTHORIZATION

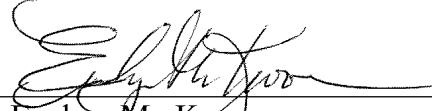
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 1151-4153US2.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 1151-4153US2.

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